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Invention: BONE CONNECTION DEVICE

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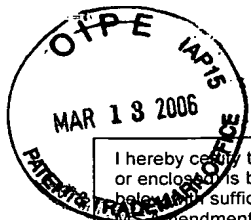
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Official Action mailed December 15, 2005, Applicant submits the following amendments and remarks.